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SUBJECT: PEOPLES TEMPLE AND THE COMMUNITY AT JONESTOWN

REF: GEORGETOWN 1815

1. DEPARTMENT CAN APPRECIATE THE UNIQUENESS OF THE
SITUATION DESCRIBED IN REF TEL AND THE PROBLEMS POST HAS
ENCOUNTERED IN ATTEMPTING TO DEAL WITH THIS SITUATION.

2. WE AGREE WITH POST'S POSITION SET FORTH IN PARAGRAPH 6
OF REF TEL AND CONCUR THAT HOST GOVERNMENT HAS
GOVERNMENTAL JURISDICTION OVER U.S. CITIZENS AND OTHER
ALIENS RESIDING WITHIN ITS BOUNDARIES. DEPARTMENT ASSUMES
THAT BOTH THE GUYANESE GOVERNMENT AND THE LEADER OF THE
PEOPLES TEMPLE ARE AWARE THAT THE COMMUNITY IS UNDER THE
JURISDICTION OF THE GOG AND THAT ALL MEMBERS OF THE
COMMUNITY ARE SUBJECT TO THE LAWS AND AUTHORITY OF THE GOG.
DEPARTMENT AT PRESENT OF VIEW THAT ANY ACTION INITIATED BY
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THE EMBASSY TO APPROACH THE GOG CONCERNING MATTERS RAISED
IN REF TEL COULD BE CONSTRUED BY SOME AS U.S. GOVERNMENT
INTERFERENCE. UNLESS AMCIT MEMBER OR FAMILY REQUESTS
ASSISTANCE OR THERE IS EVIDENCE OF LAWLESSNESS WITHIN THE
COMMUNITY OF JONESTOWN. VANCE

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